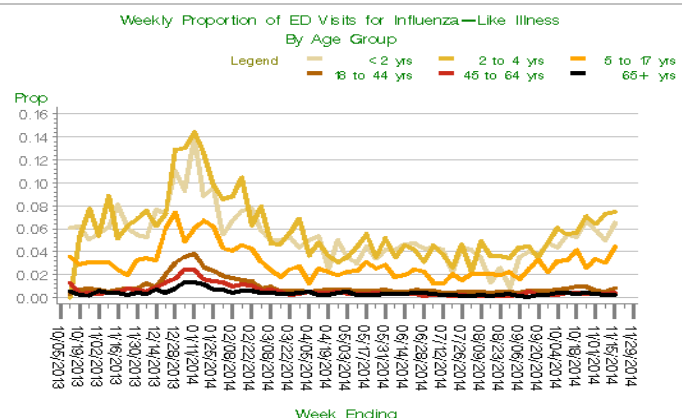
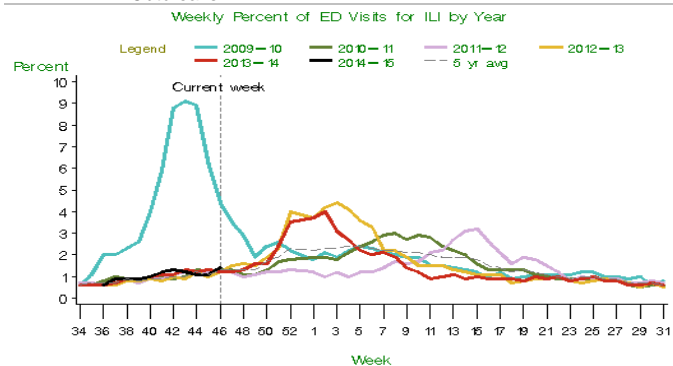




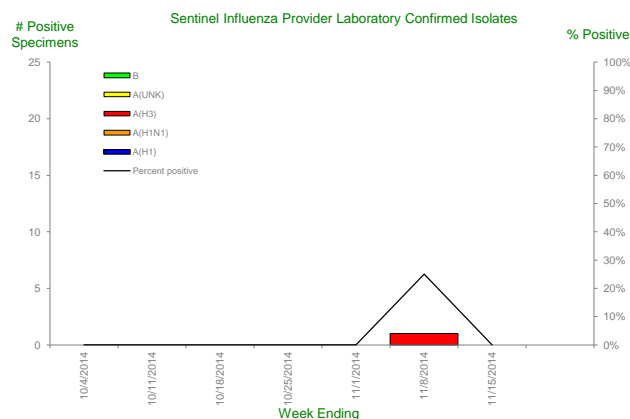
Influenza continues to be detected at low levels in King County. No influenza-related deaths or facility-based outbreaks have been reported through the week ending 11/15/2014. The proportion of emergency department visits attributable to ILI remains at baseline levels, with slightly elevated levels among children under age five; levels are comparable to those seen in previous years. During the week ending 11/15/2014, the University of Washington Virology laboratory saw an increased number of specimens positive for parainfluenza, as well as small numbers of influenza A and influenza B isolates.

	Data for this week	Cumulative data this season since September 28, 2013
Laboratory-Confirmed Influenza Deaths	0	0
King County Outpatient Sentinel Influenza Providers		
Specimens Submitted	1	21
Proportion Positive for Influenza	0.0%	Season Peak: 25.0%
A (H1)	0	0
A (H3)	0	1
A (Unknown)	0	0
B	0	0
Hospital Laboratory Influenza Rapid Antigen Test Submissions		
Number of Labs Reporting	4	Weekly Average: 5
Number of Specimens Submitted	90	Weekly Average: 91
Proportion of Tests Positive for Influenza	2.2%	Season Peak: 9.7%
Hospital Emergency Department (ED) Visits for Influenza-like Illness (ILI)		
Proportion of Visits Due to ILI	1.4%	Season Peak: 1.4%
Percent of All King County Deaths Due to Pneumonia and Influenza (P & I)	3.5%	--
National Epidemic Threshold	6.4%	# Weeks Threshold Exceeded: 0
Respiratory Disease Outbreaks at Long-Term Care Facilities (LCTFs)		
Laboratory-Confirmed LTCF Influenza Outbreaks	0	0



Note: 5 yr avg excludes the current season and the 2009 H1N1 pandemic period
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Resources

Additional Flu Information, Resources and Surveillance:

www.kingcounty.gov/health/flu

UW Virology Laboratory Respiratory Virus Surveillance:

<http://depts.washington.edu/rspvirus/documents/VD2014-15.pdf>

Washington State Influenza Surveillance Update:

www.doh.wa.gov/EHSPHL/Epidemiology/CD/fluupdate.pdf

National Influenza Update:

www.cdc.gov/flu/weekly/

Global Influenza Update:

www.who.int/csr/disease/influenza/en/